PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS PRACTICES AND STANDARDS COMMISSION MINUTES

Date: Wednesday April 1, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Central Time

Location: MacKay Building, First Floor, Conference Room 1

800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota

Present: Michael Amolins - Member

Connie Gretschmann - Member

Thomas Keck - Chairman Bev Kopren - Member

Tammy Jo Schlechter - Member Paul Bachand - Commission Counsel Holly Farris - Commission Counsel Ferne Haddock - Executive Secretary

Absent:

Patricia Benson - Vice Chairman

Kenneth "Lance" Vander Vorst - Member

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Keck called the meeting to order at approximately 12:55 p.m. CT.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Kopren, second by Amolins, to approve the April 1, 2015, amended proposed agenda. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Amolins, second by Gretschmann to approve the February 26, 2015, minutes as corrected. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

HEARING: PTPSC 2014-15

Holly Farris recused from PTPSC 2014-15.

Hearing began at approximately 1:01 p.m. CT.

Hearing concluded at approximately 1:15 p.m. CT.

Motion by Gretschmann, second by Schlechter, to go into executive session to discuss legal issues with Commission Counsel. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Commission went into executive session at approximately 1:18 p.m. CT.

Chairman Keck brought the commission out of executive session at approximately 1:54 p.m. CT.

Motion by Schlechter, second by Kopren, that a complaint be filed with the Secretary of Education in PTPSC 2014-15 for proceedings to permanently revoke the teaching certificate and that the Chair be authorized to execute the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order along with the complaint to the secretary. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Keck instructed Commission Counsel Bachand to contact the Secretary of Education to investigate proactive ways to educate teachers on the code of ethics.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gretschmann, second by Amolins, to adjourn. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Adjourned at approximately 2:02 p.m. CT.

Ferne G. Haddock

Executive Secretary PTPSC

Date

4/30/15